



## **Designated Minister, Minister for Fisheries**

**Minister Jean-Francois Ferrari**

### **Speech for the occasion of 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Agency for Social Protection**

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Minister, Dear CEO and all members of staff of the ASP, a very good afternoon to you all.

It is indeed an honour to have been invited to say a few words on the occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Agency of Social Protection. It is with pride that, on behalf of the President of the Republic, I stand here to thank you for your hard work and devotion, some of you for so many years. Seychelles recognizes your important service to our nation and especially to our citizens most in need.

Earlier this week, I listened with great interest as Ms Morin, Brenda, explained in the news, the true purpose behind the existence of the ASP. It is to care and support the most vulnerable in our society. It is to be there when people are most in need of a helping hand, or in need of some emergency assistance to take the family to the next pay cheque.

But most importantly, the ASP is here to put citizens who have fallen by the wayside, back on the road again. From welfare to work. From dependency to self-sufficiency. From despair to hope. From the old life to a new one.

The 10th anniversary of the ASP is a timely occasion to reaffirm the Agency's vision, to refresh our focus and streamline our programmes in anticipation of evolving needs, and to rejuvenate our brand so as to bring energy, a real sense of purpose and care back to our society.

Nouvo management, anba direksyon Ms. Morin, in ganny sa latas pou anmenn 3 keksoz dan sa lazans enportan: Lazistis, Lord e Lefikasite.

Lazistis: Sa ki merit ganny asiste I merit gannyen e sa ki pa merite e ki vini zis pou abize, pa merit ganny sa posibilite pou pas devan son kanmarad ki pli dan bezwen. Ler en dimoun ki pa vreman bezwen I pran plas sa enn ki dan bezwen, I pe anpes enn son frer ouswa enn son ser sorti dan problem. Nou pe demann

senpleman Lazistis e pour sa prensip arrive, I bezwen annan nou dezyenm pwen:

Lord: Dapre koze, lontan ti annan en sistenm 'pti bout papye' sorti kot minis ouswa sorti kot MNA, ouswa sorti dan brans. Avek sa pti papye, ou ti pas premye, ou ti ganny sa ki oule, pour kantite letan ki ou ti oule. E ler ti'n ariv lasezon eleksyon, ti papye ti anvole partou kote. Mon konn en dimoun ki ti dir ki tan ki I annan welfare, I pa pou zanmen travay. In mor detrwa lannen pase e vre, I pann zanmen travey. Sa I apel dezord e ASP in ganny demande par gouvènmèn pou travay dan lord.

Trwazyenmman, Lefikasite: Larzan piblik, nou pa zwe avek. Nou sipoze vey larzan piblik pli byen ki nou prop larzan. Ler en dimoun I ankoler ek ou, sa travayer ASP, akoz oun anons ek li ki I pann kalifye pou en lasistans, e sa dimoun I konmans demann ou si ou krwar sa larzan se ou larzan, reponn li wi. Dir li ki sak sou e sak rounpi ki dimoun I peye atraver taks I bezwen ganny byen okipe akoz si nou zet larzan par lafnet, si nou gaspiye, en lot dimoun ki vreman merite pa pou kapab ganny asiste ler I vreman bezwen.

Me pour Prezidan Ramkalawan e pour nou, bann minis, ASP I reste sirtou en Lazans avek en leker pou tou zanfan Sesel. Zot, bann travayer, bann reprezantan sa lazans, zot bezwen montre a tou moman ki zot annan sa leker, ki zot donn sa servis avek respe e konpasyon. Pa akoz en dimoun I vin kot Lazans ki nou bezwen tret li konman en dernyen dimoun. Annou akeyi nou bann kliyan avek lanmour e annou fer tou pou konpran zot problem. Si sa dimoun pa kalifye pou en lasistans, annou diriz zot dan en lot Lazans, dan en lot Minister, menm si nou bezwe fer en pti call telefonn pou fasilite son demars. Me sirtou, annou fer tou pou ed sa kliyan sorti lo welfare e antre dan lanplwa.

Pli boner, monn mansyonn ***“a new sense of purpose”***. Zot misyon kot Lazans Proteksyon Sosyal se osi e sirtou pou sanz bann mantalite, fer nou pep retrouv son dignite atraver travay dir, fer li vwar ki I annan plis benefis dan travay ki dan welfare, refer son ledikasyon atraver konsey e lankourazman. Wi, ASP pou kontinyen ede e asiste, me nou Lazans Proteksyon Sosyal I ekziste sirtou pou met dimoun kin tonbe, debout, ede refer zot lavi e ankouraz sak Seselwa pou anmenn kontribisyon ki I kapab dan konstriksyon nou pei.

Misyon ASP I enn ki enportan dan sa bann moman kriz kot lekonomi I anba presyon. Mon demann zot pou reste touzour konsansye e devwe. Travay onnet touzour. Ankore enn fwa, bon anniverser e mon swet zot bokou lannen travay isi menm a-lavenir. Mersi